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INTRODUCTION:

Welcome to our first issue of our New **IUFOPRA INFORMATION NFTWORK** NEWSLETTER. Well having spent the last couple of months "locked away" going through many formats and designs after much discussion we finally decided on this format that you see here. We do hope that our new updated Newsletter will be more enjoyable to read and that you find it to be of the highest quality. We would like to thank everyone for being patient with us durnig the last few months while these new developments were taking place. Due to the enormous and vast amount of data and information/journal which we do with UFO organizations (the most recent being Australia) we decided to include the name INFORMATION NETWORK on both of our publications. While first and foremost w : are a UFO and Paranormal Research Organization we considered it an important factor to make available on a regular basis and Information Network pertaining to all aspects of ufology and to improve our committment of making such information available to our Members and Colleagues worldwide.

ROSWELL VIDEOS:

It seems there's no end to the ongoing Roswell saga. Now two new videos have been released in America as a two volume set. Volume one is aptiv called "DOWN IN ROSWELL" and examines the recent media coverage given to the Roswell Incident and the SHOWTIME Movie, UFO CRASH AT ROSWELL. Produced by Paul Davids.who also produced the above mentioned UFO CRASH AT ROSWELL, it examines in depth the comprhensive coverage and analysis given to the case and there are interviews with some notable individuals who have some relevancy and legitimacy to the case. Among those interviewed are Sen.Barry Goldwater (now retired) who recalls his efforts to penetrate the infamous "BLUE ROOM" at Wright Patterson Air Force Base and the subsquent verbal abuse which he was subjected to by General Le May. Also included is an interview with Congressman Schiff and his ensuing attempts to discover the real truth as to what exactly happened at Roswell and how he got the GAO involved in the initial Enquiry. The second Video (volume 2) is called "REPLY TO THE AIR FORCE REPORT ON THE ROSWELL INCIDENT and is also produced by Paul Davids and is mainly concerned with dismissing the Air Force's "explanation" of the Roswell events. As a second mentioned earlier this two volume set is only available at present in America, but like the "UFO CRASH AT ROSWELL" it will no doubt eventually become available on this side of the world, sooner rather than later, we hope.

AUSTRIALIAN NETWORK.

IUFOPRA (INFORMATION NETWORK) are pleased to announce an information network exchange with Moira Mc Ghee of INUFOR (INDEPENDENT NETWORK OF UFO RESEARCHERS) based in New South Wales Australia. This is our first exchange outside of Europe and America and we would like to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to our colleague Moira who has recently joined the Editorial Board of the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK.

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Moira contributed articles on the Australian UFO SCENE for publication in the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK JOURNAL the first of which will appear in the Winter Issue of same.

"BIG BROTHER" IS ALREADY WATCHING US.

It was reported on Friday July 7th,that Europe's first spy satellite, Helios 1A had been launched by an Ariane 4 rocket in French Guiana, with an accompanying spacecraft monitoring radio transmission. The satellite weighs two and a half tonnes. and the space observation post will serve France, Italy and Spain. However, on Monday July 10th, there were clear indications that it was something of a misnomer to talk about Europe's first spy satellite. In fact, satellite surveillance is already firmly in place over Britain and Ireland (and is probably homing in on my word processor right now and watching what I write!) and a history-making British dismissal case proves that satellites have been watching our every move for quite awhile. Long distance lorry driver, Roy Hammonds, working with a frozen foods company, Iceland, lost his job after his lorry was tracked by the Star Track satellite system. The satellite monitor showed that on 22 occasions he made a detour, which shortened his route by 21 miles. He was dismissed for "gross misconduct", having claimed the extra mileage. Mr Hammonds claims that he took the route to avoid a town where parents were staging protests over lorry hazards for schoolchildren. "I didn't think the route I was supposed to take was safe, because of schoolchildren," he said. Mr Hammond's dismissal is believed to be the first case based on the evidence of satellite technology.

CONDOLENCES:

The Executive Committee of the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Pat Delaney, our Chief Director on the recent death of his mother on the 16th of August after a short illness. This in fact was the main reason the Summer edition of the Journal was late going out as we had hoped to have had it despatched before the screening of Secret History on Channel 4 on August 28th. Likewise we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to our colleagues in CONTACT INTERNATIONAL on the recent death of their Founder and President, Brinsley Le Poer-Trench (the Earl of Clancarty who died in May. He was best known for the many books he wrote on the subject of Ufology and will be remembered as the man who initiated the Great UFO Debate in the HOUSE OF LORDS in the 1960s. He was involved in UFO Research for over 27 years, was a former editor of FLYING SAUCER REVIEW and was rated as one of the top-flight writers and thinkers in the international field of UFO Research. A very much loved and respected man (even by his critics) his death has left a great void in Ufology. He will be missed. May he rest in peace among the Stars.

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U.S. GOVERNMENT SAY UFO PROJECTS DON'T FXIST!

Recently some documents were released by the U.S. Government which verified the existence of two highly sensitive Crash Retrieval Projects. However, according to a prominent American UFO Researcher, the Air Force are categorically denying that such projects even exist to such an extent that they even lied to a U.S Senator when he inquired as to the nature of the Projects involved. The Projects referred to here are known as BLUE FLY and MOON DUST. Apparently, recent information implicates the two Projects relate to data concerning Project BLUE BOOK as outlined in a Declassified CIA Document dated December 17th, 1953.

The contents of this Document states that the Air Technical Intelligence Command (ATIC) handed over all the BLUE BOOK Files to AIR **DEFENSE COMMAND. The reason for this** change of Command is that up until recently the ADC was generally responsible for doing most of the investigative work on BLUE BOOK and if it emerges that UFOs are in fact space ships or long range Aircraft from another country, then this would make ADC responsible for any action that would need to be taken. Subsequently all of the UFO investigations were sent to the 4602nd /JR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON. This unit gathered Intelligence during the War fro n captured enemy pilots, but later, during peactime they indulged in simulations of such activities.

In an Air Force Stipulation released in August of 1953. Regulation 200-2 requested of the Air Force to limit their investigation to whatever was required for reporting purposes. But this still meant that ATIC Dept of the ADC would still be involved and it was at about this time that both BLUE FLY and MOON DUST were born. An FOI document released in 1961 describes Project MOON DUST as having been formed to locate.recover and deliever descended foreign space vehicles. Likewise BLUE FLY was formed to facilitate expeditious delivery to FTD (FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION) of MOON DUST or other things of great technical Intelligence interest.

Opponents of the Cover-up Conspiracy are quick to point out that if the first "Space Object" did not enter space until October 1957 then what were the Missions of these Programs in 1953? especially as both Programs were initiated immediately after the 4602 AISS were given the task of investigating UFOs in 1953 and were directly linked to it.

Today, the Air Force continue to deny that these programs exist, having lied about it 5 times already. A copy of a 1967 document (which is one of several) relating to PROJECT MOON DUST can be seen in the Sept/Oct issue of the UFO MAGAZINE which is published by QUEST INTERNATIONAL.

THAT ROSWELL FOOTAGE AGAIN! :

Well by now the moment that we had been anxiously waiting for is over with the Roswell footage screened on August 28th by Channel 4. As the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK is currently engaged in compiling an extensive report on the footage we will refrain from commenting here. A full detailed report will appear in the next issue of the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK JOURNAL. As soon as this Report is completed copies will be made available to all our members at home and abroad.

We will say one thing: WE WERE NOT IMPRESSED BY WHAT WE SAW! and so you'll have to wait until you receive our Report to see what we thought!

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN:

We have received some information from a Member in Malaysia re: Solar Eclipse. On the 24th of October,1995 a total eclipse of the sun can be observed over Kudat town which is approximately 116 51'E longtitude, and 6 45'N latitude. Kudat is located on the northern tip of Borneo Island and about 150 km NE of Kota Kinabalu city where our Member lives.

PARANORMAL UPDATE:

MIRACULOUS SEVERED HAND

The severed hand of a Saint, Father Kemble who lived in the 17th Century, has amazing healing powers. By the mere touch of the hand on a dying or sick person's body. In 1679, Father Kemble was tortured and hanged for his Faith. His right hand was cut off after he died. Some time later, a Catholic woman found the hand and hid it in her apron and fled.

The hand has now been the Church of St.Xavier's in Hereford, in England for over two hundred years. Hundreds of people have witnessed miraculous healings brought about by simply the touch of the hand.

The most recent incident involved Father Jenkins of St,Xavier's Church, who was in a coma after a massive stroke. The Doctors gave him up for dead. But another Priest of the Parish Father Tony Tumelty blessed the ailing Priest and touched his forehead with the severed hand and prayed. Fr Jenkins regained consciousness instantly and now walk, talk and eat again.

The amazing cure of Fr.Jenkins is only the last in a long list of mind-boggling healings attributed to the miracle severed hand.

About five years ago another Priest, Father William O' Connor, lay dying in a Hospital in Hereford. The severed hand was brought to the Hospital and it was laid on the

dying Priest's chest and he recovered some hours later.

St.Father Kemble was a devout believer. The Christ still works Miracles through him for more than three centuries after his death.

BELIEVE IT OR BELIEVE IT NOT

STRANGE BUT TRUE:

A new series of Strange But True returned to UTV on Friday 8th of September. In the first programme Michael Aspel looked at the fascinating and mind boggling topic of Reincarnation as well as a woman with miraculous healing powers.

NEW PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER:

The IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK would like to extend a warm welcome to our new PRO Carl Nally (A True Staunch Dublin Man), Totally dedicated to the study of Ufology and the Paranormal. Carl took up his new position on the 20th of July and has already contributed to the many new and exciting changes that have recently taken place within the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK. You will be reading a lot more about Carl in future issues of the IUFOPRA INFORMATION NETWORK JOURNAL.

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The Roswell Incident

"Secret History" Channel 4, 28/08/1995

- Aonghus de Barra -

July 1947. A date that anyone with a passing interest in UFOs will recognise. Now, thanks to the dubious film being promoted by one Ray Santilli, this date will be made known to many more. The star of the documentary screened recently on Channel 4, as part of it`s "Secret History" series, was undoubtedly the footage, supplied by Santilli, allegedly of an autopsy performed on a UFO occupant.

Despite many inconsistencies in Santilli's claims about the film, and flaws in the film itself, the amount of interest generated in the film was tremendous. For many people this footage was their first encounter with the UFO phenomenon. Again, despite the serious doubts about the authenticity of the film, the interest shown in the film by the media was unprecedented.

There have been many UFO incidents in the last few years worthy of television coverage. The Belgian "Black Triangle" wave for example, or the Mexican "Saucer" wave - for both of which there is a substantial amount of Video footage, never screened through much of Europe. Instead of this material, Channel 4 has given time to the Santilli film, which there can be little doubt will prove to be a fake (Whether a deliberate hoax or not) and with this revelation, will seriously damage the little credibility that serious researchers have gained for what they say did happen in Roswell.

Ray Santilli's claims in the run-up to the release of this film included:

Both crash retrieval, debris field and Autopsy are shown.

Wrong. There are no outdoor sequences. Some supposed wreckage is shown, but only a handful of undamaged slabs, all of which have symbols on them. Jesse Marcel Jr., the Son of the first military man on the scene, said that these markings are unlike those he had personally seen on the actual wreckage.

President Harry Truman can be seen attending the retrieval & Autopsy.

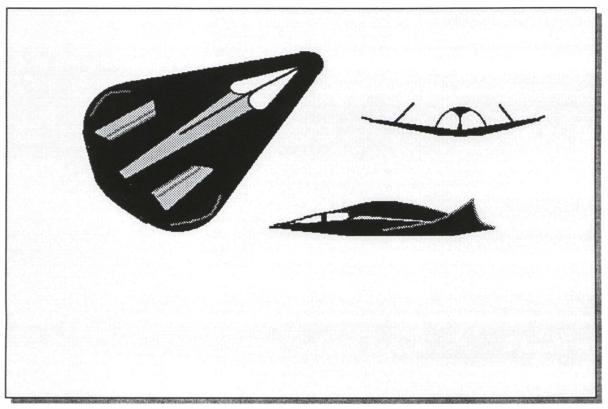
Wrong. This was the initial ball that really got the Hype machine rolling. When word of this got out (it was a claim by Santilli personally) we had to wonder, if President Harry Truman was on the film, then how could it be fake? None of the footage shown to date shows *anybody* 's face that could be identified. Santilli has countered questions about his claim by suggesting that further reels of film existand have been bought by a private collector in Japan (!).

The film was authenticated by Kodak as being of 1947 origin.

Guess what? This was wrong too! The Kodak company states that a salesman had confirmed to Santilli that the markings on the film (as described by Santilli) were consistent with stock made in 1927,1947 or 1967! Santilli has yet to part with a film sample for chemical analysis, which could reveal much about the film stock, and the date it was exposed and processed.

Channel 4`s documentary did contain, however, some less sensational but more curious items, such as the admission by Frank Kaufmann that he had been part of the secret recovery team, codenamed 'The Nine'.

Kaufmann, who has not given any proof of his military background, claims that there were bodies (and one live Alien) at the crash scene, along with a very peculiar looking craft. I have attempted to reproduce the sketch Kaufmann showed on television, below.



Interestingly, the sketch made by Kaufmann was on his ' official ' report of the incident, dated July '47 and with the Roswell Army Airfield logo on top. This document has not yet been authenticated. Aircraft enthusiasts will be struck by the resemblance that Kaufmann's craft bears to the F-19 Stealth fighter supposedly operated by the military. The F-19 has never been seen, and the military denies its existence. In the mid '80s a model manufacturer in America, the Testor corporation, produced a model of a craft they claimed was now being flown by the USAF. The craft they produced looked practically identical to that described by Kaufmann.

Unfortunately for Testor, the Air Force unveiled it`s F-117a, the angular Stealth fighter we are now familiar with, which they claimed was the only 'Stealth' craft in operation. The F-19, they said, was a myth. There are many stories of how furious some officials were, when the Testor model was released. Strange, if it had missed the mark *completely*? The Air Force unveiled the B2 Stealth bomber subsequently, showing that they did indeed operate *other* Stealth craft. Did Kaufmann merely copy the F-19 shape for his own hoax, or is it possible that he came across the predecessor to all Stealth craft that night in 1947?

It is, unfortunately, most likely that Frank Kaufmann is just jumping on the Roswell Bandwagon. His testimony, while compelling, is little different to that of so many other witnesses of the day. They, however, came forward earlier; and have maintained their version of events. It remains to be seen if researchers will be able to disprove Mr. Kaufman's story. The sketches he made, one would imagine, would be of no value (or necessity) on a report, if we are to believe that the military recovered the craft. Why would sketches be needed when photographs, and indeed the craft itself, were in the posession of those to whom the sketches would be submitted?

There are several basic mistakes on the sketches also, which make the craft as described (all three views are of the one craft) an impossibility.

- 1) On the side view, the wing tips are clearly shown to curve upwards, like the 'wings' of a Manta Ray. However, on the frontal view they do not bend upwards as severely.
- 2) The twin tails at the rear, from the frontal view, lean inwards (as they did on the F-19 model. From the top view, they are seen to lean *outwards*.
- 3) The twin tails, seen from the frontal view, rise above the fuselage, and from the top view start before the upward wing slant. From the side view though, the tails are not shown at all!
- 4) From the top view, the craft has a pair of windows on either side of the nose area, looking like a pair of eyes. From the side view, the windows are divided, forming front and rear windows clearly not visible from the other views. These faults could be forgiven on an on-the-spot sketch, but they are on an official report. Kaufmann would have had time to complete the details on this report, and his memory would have been fresh, as this report was prepared, supposedly, in July '47.

There *is* proof that something crashed in the Brazel Ranch, between Roswell and Corona, New Mexico, in July 1947. There *is also* a lot of evidence to suggest that something *out of the ordinary* crashed. The debate as to what that was will continue for a long time yet. Or will it? According to Ufologists, this new evidence and the Santilli film, are part of an elaborate Disinformation plot, to discredit and humiliate the people who have researched the incident, and therby to dispel public curiosity about the events of the time. This is plausible only if you accept that the Government really has something to hide. It is just as possible that Ray Santilli and others are merely taking advantage of increased public credulity in relation to Paranormal subjects to make a fast buck.

Or is there something to it all?

On closing, the documentary narrator informed us that Channel 4 had been in contact with ' Government sources ' who had spoken of Classified documents soon to be released, which would shed a totally new light on events in Roswell that summer day. I can almost hear the Hype machine starting.